



## Maine Farmer.

## MAINE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

Every reader will enjoy a good look at the members constituting the State Board of Agriculture as at present organized, and will recognize them as men of influence in their several localities, while some are familiar to residents in every part of the State.

No body of men is doing more to further the interests given into their hands than are these gentlemen, and because our agricultural interests are so great and may be made so much greater it gives us pleasure to present the Board and a brief sketch of the members to our readers at this time, trusting it may lead to a still more extended acquaintance and a wider range of influence.

## Benjamin F. Briggs, Androscoggin.

Benjamin F. Briggs of Auburn, the member from Androscoggin county, is 65 years of age, and has long been interested in farming and the breeding of horses. He was born in Auburn, and educated in the common schools. Has been President of Maine Board of Agriculture, Trustee of Maine State College, Treasurer of the Maine State Agricultural Society, Director of the First National Bank, Auburn, also of the National Shoe and Leather Bank; member of both branches Auburn city government.

## J. W. Dudley, Aroostook.

J. W. Dudley of Castle Hill, the Aroostook member, was born in China, Kennebec county, in 1830; moved with his parents to Aroostook in 1858, and settled in Castle Hill on the farm where he now lives. At eighteen he went West and remained two years, then returned, thinking Maine good enough for him.

He became interested in fruit culture, and has had large experience in testing varieties of apples that will stand the cold winters of Aroostook county.

He was the originator of the Dudley's Winter apple; was the first in Northern Aroostook to ship apples to Boston market, and has also been quite extensively engaged in raising clover and herdsgrass seed, which he has sent mostly to outside markets.

He was one of the successful competitors for the prize offered by the Bowker Fertilizer Co., raising 530 bushels of potatoes from one acre; has been Master of the Aroostook County Pomona Grange, and one of its agents for selling wool and potatoes; held offices of trust in his town, being one of the Selectmen for a number of years; been one of the Trustees of the North Aroostook Agricultural Society; always an exhibitor at the fairs, and is one of the Trustees of the State Pomological Society.

## E. E. Light, Knox.

E. E. Light, Union, the Knox county member, was born in Appleton, Nov. 27, 1854; educated in common schools and graduated from Castine Normal School in class of 1880. Followed teaching winters and farming summers for several years. In 1889 turned his attention to dairying and began buying cream and operating a proprietary creamery in connection with farming. One year ago removed creamery business to Union Common; admitted C. C. Counce of that town to partnership, and the firm has been doing a large business with prospects of an increase. Was a member of the legislature in 1893, serving on committee of agriculture and chairman of committee on engrossed bills. Been a member of Medomack Valley Grange nineteen years, serving two years as master. Also held several offices in Union Pomona Grange, serving one year as master.

## F. H. Mooers, Kennebec.

F. H. Mooers, member for Kennebec county, was born in Pittston in 1839, educated at the common schools, followed the sea or was clerk in fruit and vegetable store in Boston until 1873, when he returned to the farm and began the growing of vegetables and seeds for the market. Was Secretary of South Kennebec Society from its organization until the present, save one year, and Secretary of Pittston Grange for five years.

## B. W. McKeen, Secretary.

B. W. McKeen, Secretary of the auditor's office, Treasurer Department, Washington. In 1871, took charge of Sullivan street grammar school, Biddeford, for the school year of 1871 and '72, and at the beginning of the school year of 1872, was elected master of Beach street grammar school, Saco, serving in that capacity till 1885. Was principal of the high school at Sanford, Florida, in 1886 and '87. Has been supervisor of schools in the city of Saco, also of Newfield, Me. Located permanently on the farm Sept. 24, 1887.

## Charles E. Wheeler, Franklin.

Charles E. Wheeler, member from Franklin county, was born in 1857, in Chesterville, and has always lived upon the same farm where his father, John C., and grandfather, Rev. Samuel, was born, lived and died. Treasurer of the Maine State Pomological Society, Secretary of the A. J. C. C. Breeders' Association of Maine; was a member of the board in 1891 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of S. R. Leland. The feeding of plants and animals, thereby building up the dairy and orchard, is the aim of this member.

## Prof. W. H. Jordan, Prof. of Agriculture, Maine State College.

W. H. Jordan was born in Raymond October 27, 1851. Graduated from the Maine State College in 1875 with the degree of B. S. Principal of Dennysville high school 1876-7. Post-graduate student at Cornell University in chemistry in 1877-8. Assistant in experimental and analytical chemistry at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., 1878-9. During 1879-80 instructor at the Maine State College. From 1881 to 1885 professor of agriculture and agricultural chemistry at the Pennsylvania State College; chemistry to Pennsylvania State Board of Agriculture 1883-5. Since April 1885, director Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. In 1886 elected professor of agriculture in charge of the Agricultural Department of the Maine State College.

## George N. Holland, Penobscot.

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A. H. SMILEY, CLERK. C. E. WHEELER. J. M. WINSLOW. L. O. STRAW. F. H. MOOERS. L. G. SMITH. W. H. VINTON. B. F. BRIGGS. B. W. MCKEEN, SECY. W. H. SNOW.

scott county, was born in the town of Brunswick, but has resided in Hampden since 1845. He enlisted for three years or during the war and was discharged at Augusta at the close of the Rebellion. Has always been interested in agriculture, and a long time member of the Penobscot Agricultural Society, of which he has been its Treasurer and Secretary for nine years; has been Master of County Pomona and an earnest advocate for temperance reform.

## W. H. Vinton, Cumberland.

W. H. Vinton, Gray, member for Cumberland county, was born in Oxford county, and all his early life was spent upon the farm. Always interested in domestic animals, and owning a farm, attention has been specially directed to the production of fine oxen, while never neglecting to enter a protest against the utter want of wisdom in permitting this class of stock to disappear from the farm. A careful student of agriculture, the special work carried on is dairying and this is being steadily increased.

## S. F. Stetson, Oxford.

S. F. Stetson, East Sumner, member for Oxford county, was born in 1844, educated in the common schools, served in the civil war in the 23rd regiment. Was member of the legislature of 1888, been member of the Board of Selectmen for fourteen years and chairman for thirteen years. Always a farmer.

## A. H. Smiley, Clerk.

A. H. Smiley, clerk for the board, is and has always been a farmer and teacher. Educated in the common schools and academy, followed teaching in the winter season for more than twenty years, vocal music being a leading branch taught. Has represented his county (Somerset) at two different periods upon the board, the second time from 1891 to 1894. Has been connected with the Somerset Central Agricultural Society for many years, and was its Secretary for thirteen years in succession. Has served upon the Board of Selectmen and School Committee of his town.

## ITEMS AND INCIDENTS.

The way to be happy is to live so we can remember the past without regret. Bow down the religion of some people, and you will find nothing in it but a few notions.

## Ringing Noises.

In the ears, sometimes a roaring, buzzing sound, are caused by catarrh, that exceedingly disagreeable and very common disease. Loss of smell or hearing also result from catarrh. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, is a peculiarly successful remedy for this disease, which it cures by purifying the blood.

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## John Barleycorn is the best man in the prize ring against most fighters.

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Wrinkles, shallow skin and hollow cheeks undergo a marvelous change in a month's time by the continued use of Baileys complexion brush and home massage. Brush and Massage directions by mail \$1. White Bros., box 3559, Boston, Mass.

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The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One hundred dollars reward for its failure to cure.

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One dose. Try them.

## MEMBERS OF THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, 1895.

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## Consumption

Does not commence all at once, but a little at a time. As a rule sufferers don't know they have it until it is far advanced. Doctors cannot always tell. The trouble may not come to the surface until it has extended very far. But you know when you are running down. Stop and think; are you as well as you were a year ago? If not, take to me.

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It will give you an appetite, build you up, prevent your having the disease, and if you already have it, cure you.

The kind Physicians Prescribe.

At all drug stores.

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insertions and seventy-two cents for each  
subsequent insertion.

## COLLECTORS' NOTICES.

Ma. C. S. Ayer is now calling upon our sub-  
scribers in Knox county.Ma. J. W. Kelloog is now calling upon our  
subscribers in Aroostook county.Governor Cleaves has reappointed  
Chas. Staples, Jr., steamboat inspector.An examination of the vial of bugs  
left at this office by Mr. A. W. Carter of  
Hallowell, shows that they are the regu-  
lation squash bugs.Score another for the ladies. Both  
houses of the Ohio legislature have  
passed a resolution for a constitutional  
amendment extending the suffrage to  
women.The boys say the bicycle fever is going  
to be as prevalent this year as ever. The  
standard and first-class wheels which  
sold last year for \$125, will be put upon  
the market this year for \$100.The Rickers will use the Maine World's  
Fair building at Poland Springs as an  
art building, and dormer windows will be  
placed in the roof to make the light  
bright.Ex-Queen Lit has given in her adhesion  
to the Hawaiian government, not  
because she wanted to, but because she  
must. But it would have been a more  
graceful act had she done so before the  
cargo of bombs and other explosives  
were found at her domicile.Our old friend and correspondent, Mr.  
J. W. Lang of Bowdoinham, who has  
been side-tracked on account of sickness,  
for some time, in writing us a friendly  
note, adds: "Am not as well for past two  
months, completely dry docked since  
winter set in. Read a good deal and try  
to keep up courage. You are doing your  
man's service on the good old Farmer.  
May prosperity attend you."Among the valuable things in this  
issue of the *Farmer* must be reckoned the  
story told of the worth of Sagadahoc  
fertilizers. Especial attention should be  
given the array of figures, so convincing  
and unanswerable. They indicate how  
others may find increasing wealth and  
comforts. No like table has ever been  
given the public, and the 6th page of the  
*Farmer* should be preserved for refer-  
ence.Those who fancy that the grangers  
get together once a month just for a  
good time, will do well to read the very  
full report of the meeting at Sidney, in  
another column. Such gatherings tell  
for better farms and increasing pros-  
perity. It is fully up to the standard  
of institute work, and well deserves the  
fullest possible report by the press.  
Judged by the work mapped out, this  
is to be a busy year with the order in  
Kennebec county.A large company of ladies and gentle-  
men, the latter graduates of Colby Uni-  
versity, enjoyed the annual banquet of  
"Boston Colby Alumni Association," at  
Parker's, in Boston, Friday evening.  
Colonel F. S. Heseltine, '63, President of  
the association, introduced Hon. W. P.  
Whitehouse, of the Maine Supreme  
Court, President B. L. Whitman, D. D.,  
of Colby, Professor William Matthews,  
Dr. Everett Flood of Baldwinville,  
Mass., and Rev. Dr. Pepper of Water-  
ville, as the speakers.On the second page of this issue we  
give some excellent portraits of the mem-  
bers of the present Board of Agriculture,  
engraved specially for the *Farmer*, from  
a group photograph taken during the re-  
cent annual session of the Board in this  
city. With the pictures we give brief  
biographical sketches of the members,  
thus presenting to our readers and pat-  
rons our representative agriculturists,  
whose minds are directing in the right  
channels the industrial thought of the  
State.The February number of the *Maine  
Central* is radiant in a new cover, and  
blooming with improvements. This  
number contains 20 pages well filled  
with interesting reading matter, prin-  
cipally on Bar Harbor, and the attractive  
way in which the subject is handled will  
undoubtedly attract many strangers to  
visit this, one of Maine's leading sum-  
mer resorts. William E. Wood, the  
Maine Central railroad's traveling agent's<sup>s</sup>  
likeness adorns the publication, as well  
as excellent pictures of Col. E. C.  
Farrington, the handsome face of Gen.  
W. S. Choate of Augusta, E. M. Hersey  
of Bangor, and E. W. Plummer, a rep-  
resentative traveling man. The front  
page is a new design, having a Bar  
Harbor scene on it.The Richardson Manufacturing Com-  
pany of Worcester, Mass., are out with  
their announcement for the current year  
of the old and reliable Buckeye Mower.  
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## HON. JOHN L. STEVENS, LL. D.

Death knocked at the outer gate, and a patriot, statesman, and beloved citizen has departed. John L. Stevens died at his home on Western Avenue, in this city, at 4 o'clock, Friday morning, of nervous prostration and valvular disease of the heart. The end was quite sudden. As we have seen him from time to time during the autumn and early months of winter, we have noticed a general decline in health and strength, but with no indication of immediate fatal results. But more consciously than any of his friends he realized that the end was near; the great change did not take him by surprise; but with a clear mind almost to the end, he awaited calmly and with Christian resignation the last momentous event of his earthly existence.

John Leavitt Stevens was born in Mt. Vernon, in this country, August 1, 1820. He was the son of John and Charlotte (Lyford) Stevens, who came from Brewster, N. H., and settled in Mt. Vernon in 1805. His preliminary education was obtained at Maine Wesleyan Seminary, and Waterville Liberal Institute. He did not receive a collegiate education, but like the Morrills, Cony, Hamlin and others, achieved success without this advantage. With the help of Rev. Mr. Gunnison he took a course in theology, and at the age of 24 entered the ministry as a Universalist clergyman, having pastored at New Sharon, Exeter, N. H., Norway and Biddeford. After ten years of faithful and able service, he was obliged to give up the ministry on account of somewhat broken health, but he did not give up the faith as given by his denomination, but steadfastly maintained it to the end.

About this time the great questions of slavery and temperance began to disintegrate the old parties in Maine, and having been in the pulpit a conspicuous anti-slavery and prohibition champion, Mr. Stevens now sought the wider arena of the press. He moved to Augusta in the winter of 1855-6, and became the partner of Hon. James G. Blaine in the ownership and editorship of the *Kennebec Journal*. And never was there a stronger team upon the press of Maine. From an obscure country sheet, the *Journal* attained a reputation nation-wide. In 1858 Mr. Blaine sold his interest in the paper to the late John S. Sawyer, to become editor of the *Portland Advertiser*. The firm of Stevens & Sawyer continued for a period of eleven years, 1858 to 1869, during which time Mr. Stevens had editorial control of the *Journal*. During the Presidential canvass of 1857-1858 Mr. Stevens was invited to assume editorial charge of the political columns of the *Journal*, to the discharge of which relation he brought the results of his long experience in journalism, which duties were performed to great acceptance until his final withdrawal from the paper, July 3d, 1858.

Mr. Stevens was elected a representative to the State legislature from Augusta in 1866 and 1867, and served the county in the Senate in 1868 and 1869. While a member of the House he was largely instrumental in the passage of an act establishing the Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell, and the institution ever had his profound interest. In the local affairs of Augusta he had an abiding interest, and was confident at some day the city would become a great manufacturing centre. He was perhaps the leader in inducing the once powerful and influential Sprague Manufacturing Company of Rhode Island to bring capital to Augusta to more completely develop and utilize the power of the Kennebec dam. Retarded at first by the failure of the Spragues, upon the solid foundation which they laid has been reared the present great plant of the Edwards Company.

From 1855 to 1860 he was chairman of the Republican State Committee, and in 1860 was one of the four delegates at large to the Republican National Convention at Chicago, which nominated Abraham Lincoln. He drew the first platform of the Republican party in Maine, and was a prominent figure at State conventions. His voice was heard upon the stump in nearly every political campaign.

Mr. Stevens' diplomatic career opened in 1870 by his appointment by President Grant as Minister to the United Republics of Uruguay and Paraguay, South America, with residence at Montevideo, where, with his family, he remained three years, returning to Augusta in 1873. In 1877 Mr. Stevens was appointed by President Hayes Minister resident to Sweden and Norway, which post was occupied six years. He resided at Stockholm with his family for this period, making one visit to this country during the time. June 20, 1889, he was commissioned by President Harrison as Minister resident to the Hawaiian Islands, and soon after assumed the duties of the legation at Honolulu. In July, 1890, his official title was changed to Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, the Hawaiian mission having been raised to this grade by Congress. He resigned this position in the spring of 1893, and with his family returned to his home in this city, where he has since remained.

Mr. Stevens had the high qualities of the finished scholar, and while at Stockholm wrote a careful and graphic history of Gustavus Adolphus, the great Swedish king and patriot. About a year ago he compiled a beautiful souvenirs under the title of "Pictorial Hawaii," which was most elegantly illustrated. Besides this he has occasionally contributed to magazines and reviews. On account of his literary productions Tufts College, in 1883, conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Mr. Stevens was married in 1845 to Miss Mary L. Smith of Hallowell, who survives him, together with a daughter. Of their four children, two died in infancy, while their eldest daughter, Grace, was drowned at Honolulu, the body being brought home for burial. It was in the sacred sanctuary of home that Mr. Stevens was at his best. He almost worshipped his family, and refused to undertake any of his missions without their presence.

Were this the proper place, and did

space permit, we could give columns of personal reminiscences of this conspicuous life that has now ended on the earthly side. Mr. Stevens was a natural politician and diplomat. Not a politician as the word is prostituted by debased men, but in the high sense that includes the qualities of statesmanship. His inspiration to enter the field of politics was the sad ravages that the liquor traffic had made upon the human race, and he exposed the cause of prohibition when to do so was to become unpopular. He listened to the cries of fettered and shackled humanity; his dark-skinned brother's woes he made his own, and he labored for his emancipation until the auspicious morning dawned when the voice of God and the pen of Abraham Lincoln made our country in deed and in fact "the home of the free." With a mind fitted for thorough and patient investigation, he eagerly sought for the moral quality of every question, and that determined at once his attitude towards it. Conscientiously placing himself on the right side of every issue, there he would take his stand, throwing into the espousal of the cause all the power and force of his great ability. His training in public affairs eminently fitted him for his several diplomatic stations, in all of which he represented the nation patriotically and with dignity.

Mr. Wood presented a resolve authorizing a temporary loan.

In House, Thursday, the resolve to appropriate \$25,000 for the State College annually for a term of ten years, was passed, after a fruitless attempt to cut it down. The bill was passed to exempt agricultural societies from taxation on property used for exhibition.

On Friday, a bill was presented in the Senate by Mr. Marston, providing that on the first day of May, in every other year, owners of wild lands shall file with the State Assessors descriptions of their lands, and describing their interest therein in less than one-half mile. Abstracts of the names of lands in deeds conveying the same are to be sent to the State Assessors within 30 days after such sales. Upon application by the owner of any wild land who is dissatisfied with the State Assessors' valuation, the State Assessors may appoint an expert in estimating timber lands in the vicinity of the land in question, to explore and estimate the same. The owner may appoint another expert at his own expense to accompany and assist the State's explorer. The State explorer shall report in writing to the State Assessors, and they shall give a hearing at which the owner may be heard before they decide whether to change the valuation.

It was reported that the Maine Life Underwriters have voted to withdraw their petition for incorporation, they could organize under the general laws.

An act to fix the salary and allowances of the Register of Deeds for the County of Kennebec, and an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Kennebec, were passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was passed giving \$20,000 to the Central Maine Hospital at Lewiston, and also the resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary of Portland.

The resolve appropriating \$150,000 for the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, was passed in concurrence with the House.

In House, Friday, Mr. Merrill of Portland introduced a bill to amend the school text book law so that the parent or guardian may buy the text books at his own expense for the exclusive use of his child.

An act to exempt from taxation the property of all agricultural, horticultural and mechanical associations so long as held and used solely for exhibition purposes, was passed to be engrossed.

In Senate, Saturday, the bill to exempt agricultural societies from taxation was passed. The State College resolve was assigned for Thursday. Senator Wells presented remonstrances from 12 Relief Corps against State aid for the Veterans' Home at Newport. A big batch of petitions for the listing bill was presented.

The resolve appropriating \$5000 to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary of Portland, had its final reading in the House, Saturday, and the resolves for the Lewiston hospital.

Both branches adjourned to Tuesday, the House out of respect to the late Hon. John L. Stevens.

On Monday many members of the legislature went to Portland, and attended the banquet at the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, given by the Maine Academy of Medicine. After the speaking of the members held a business meeting, at which the medical registration bill was discussed and indorsed.

In Senate, Tuesday, Mr. Savage presented a bill to amend the law relating to notice of injuries received on the highway.

An act in relation to the care and custody of minor children was passed to be engrossed. The bill in regard to trespass on wild land was indefinitely postponed.

In House, Tuesday, Mr. Haines of Waterville put in a bill which provides that municipal officers may secure reimbursement for the crackers and cheese and entertainment afforded tramps, by compelling them to work out their indebtedness to the municipality either at the wood pile or in breaking stone. And if any hobo becomes contumacious, refusing to labor, he may be convicted under the tramp law.

The same gentleman presented a bill to incorporate the Waterville Wiscasset Railroad Company. H. B. Good enough of Brighton, Mass., Matthew Luce of Boston, A. P. Libby of Fort Fairfield, C. E. Libby of Burnham and C. Libby of Waterville are named as corporators. The company would be given the right to build a road from Waterville through Winslow and Vassalboro to Weeks' Mills, in the town of Winslow, the road to be operated by steam or electricity, or both.

With the name which have reaped fame's fairest fruits—Here, where triumphant or blashed, he has ended.

Lay him to rest!

Here, where began the high manhood ambitions—

To manhood so true—that have won him a place

With the names which have reaped fame's fairest fruits—

Here, where triumphant has ended the race.

Lay him to rest!

From the scenes of earth's joy and affliction—

From the home of his love, again death—

From his death—

Fresh courage, new cheer, for our work of the morrow.

Lay him to rest!

Mourn not for our friends; tears are for the living.

The heart-breaks of earth will have never

surcease:

But out of all pain will rise gladness thanksgiving

For the infinite joy of a spirit at peace.

The thirty-eighth annual report of the State bank examiner, Hon. C. R. Whitten, has been made up and will soon be distributed.

The total deposits on our savings banks, Nov. 24, 1894, amounted to \$4,531,223.98 the past year.

These figures do not include some \$5,000 of deposits in the Orono Savings Bank at the time of going into liquidation.

The total number of depositors on this date was 155,704, a net increase of 17,352 during the year.

Of the total \$1,069,914.30 was

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An act to fix the salary and allowances of the Register of Deeds for the county of Kennebec received a final passage.

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Looking to the subject of good roads, a bill has been introduced for the encouragement of wide tires on vehicles.

Small petitions have been presented

in the legislature to establish a municipal water works.

Among the bills signed by the Governor are: Act relating to size of packages for smoked herring; the act amending the law relating to State pensions; act to amend the law relating to the duties of officers and agents in the enforcement of the laws for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

The hardest worked committee, with the possible exception of the Judiciary committee, is that on towns. It has held numerous evening sessions.

On Friday the Governor cleaned the atmosphere somewhat by a veto message.

Retiring his bill to the Senate.

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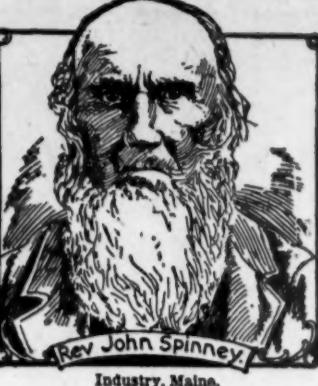
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There is no doubt but that the portion of a wreck which drifted ashore at Lambert's Cove, on the north side of Vineyard Haven, Mass., Wednesday night, is what left of the schooner T. P. Dixon of Rockland, Me., Captain Bowesick, which left New York, February 3d, for Rockland. The wreckage consisted of a good day, and with the roads badly drifted, officers from a distance were not able to reach the hall. Before night fully one hundred and fifty had gathered from Oakdale, Winslow, Vassalboro, Augusta, Hallowell and Sidney. Five Granges were represented, eleven coming from Cascade, Oakdale.

The forenoon was taken in an informal discussion on barn architecture and the labor question. The generous hearted farmers were full of sympathy for the Dixon men and did not let them work him to hard." Worthy Master Drummond of Winslow Grange, was called upon to preside and filled the office most acceptably to all. Nearly all the chairs were filled by appointment.

"Land, Location and Treatment of Orchards and Fruits" was the subject for the afternoon, the first speaker being Bro. Geo. F. Bowman of Sidney, the well known apple grower and authority, who spoke as follows:

Orcharding is taking a more prominent part in agricultural pursuits in Kennebec county, and the natural advantages favoring the profitable planting of many large orchards should induce us to well consider where to set an orchard, and its general management, we have much cheap land such as our high rocky hills and hill sides which are fine bases for orchards, and whether the orchard north, south, east or west. A good deep, rocky soil with a good elevation sloping enough either way to drain the surface water, is best.

Human nature is capricious, so we must cater to its wants; and it is just as much so in growing an orchard as in anything else. Our rough, rocky sheep pastures that have never been ploughed will grow just as good an orchard as if they had been ploughed and cleared of rocks at great expense. So we must leave the preparation of the land for the orchard to the fancy of the individual who sets it. But a certain amount of care and judgment should be used in setting, pruning, guarding against insects, etc. In setting trees be sure and dig the places large enough to take the roots without bending them. If there happens to be a root very long cut it off rather than bend it; fill in and press firmly around the roots good, rich, fine soil, setting the tree no deeper than it is when taken from the nursery, but raise the dirt an inch or two and plant it where the tree will start a healthy growth if it is a good tree.

Now it is necessary to keep so much of the ground as the roots of the tree occupy rich, which increases a foot or more in area each year according to the growth of the tree. Do not permit the grass to grow around young trees; either keep it down by mulching or digging around them. With this management your trees should make a good, healthy growth. If any should become sickly or fall to grow, pull them up and replace them. Don't coax them along, but let them grow and let them stand.

Having the foundation of a good orchard started do not think your labor is over for you have much to do in pruning, guarding against insects and diseases, and weeding. A few hours' work with pruning shears and saw will, if taken in season, save days if neglected until the limbs are large and the tops become tangled, besides being much better for the trees. Use eternal vigilance in destroying all insects injurious to the tree and fruit, and the business will become a source of both profit and pleasure equalled by no other branch of work by members.

Mr. Atherton discussed the location and general management of an orchard. He thought a southern or eastern slope the best. He recommended top dressing the land, mulching and pruning. Do not put your apple trees less than thirty-five feet apart.

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NAME.	RESIDENCE.	No. of Acres.	Dirigo Used.	Cost of Dirigo.	Crop of Grain.	1st Crop of Hay.	2d Crop of Hay.	3d Crop of Hay.	4th Crop of Hay.	5th Crop of Hay.	6th Crop of Hay.	No. Tons Grown.	Value at \$6 per ton.	Value of Grain.	Total Value.	Cost of Fertilizer.	Profit in Dollars.
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## Horse Department.

If a young horse, brought out last year, trained and developed, its quality proven by winning races in hot company and getting a mark of 2.27 1/4, sells for two hundred and fifty dollars, what is a horse worth which fails to reach the 2.30 mark?

It is confidently asserted that gait follows the male lines more fully than the female, while size comes largely from the dams. Substance, courage and intelligence are wanted in both. These are good points to remember in breeding.

Compressed paper horse-shoes, cemented to the hoof, are now under trial in the German cavalry. Nails did not prove successful in setting these paper shoes, and cement is now under experiment with satisfactory results up to the present report. These shoes are used on the fore feet only at present, the hind feet being shod with iron.

A breeder growing horses for the road horse market was lately approached by a trainer of ability who desired to take one or two colts to develop, offering strong inducements. "No, sir," said the breeder, "I cannot afford to drop the value of my colts. These colts will sell for more in the road horse market than over among the trotters, even though you put them in the 2.30 list. My aim is to excel in road horse production."

Those who think that a horse is merely a horse have missed their calling in trying to breed horses; but the man who understands how to mate mare with stallion to get a given type, the man who has at his command the services of high class stallions, the man who understands that action is equal to reaction in the market as well as in physics, that man will make one of the mistakes of his life in abandoning horse breeding in the face of the present condition of affairs. Be not deceived. Outstanding merit always will bring money in the horse market.

The wave of reform is sweeping onward. It took the R. I. legislators just one hour to repeal the bill permitting pool-selling on race tracks. It looks as though the mighty question whether racing events can be carried forward successfully without gambling, is to be fully tested. Now let the law be universally enforced all along the line, and those who enjoy sport without attending objectionable features, show their appreciation by generous attendance. Public opinion is a mighty factor and to-day it is against pool-selling throughout the entire eastern States.

It looks as though the season of 1895 would be as prolific in race records as 1894, and that the trotting parks will receive as much attention as formerly. This surely should be the case, for it is the only door open to the trotting or pacing horse breeder where the worth of his family or the individual can be proven. Let no one think that the days of trotting are over because a different call is heard in the market. There's room for both and for all, and the State will reap the greatest benefit by encouraging the breeding and developing of every class.

All along the line evidence is accumulating that the more advanced writers for horse papers are thoroughly awake to the fact that the road horse is the only one for the farmer to breed and the only one promising sure profit. More than this, that the demand is not for speed, but size, substance, intelligence and courage with pleasing action.

One leading buyer says, "While men interested in the race course are on the watch for qualities such as go to make the ideal road horse, and do not seek even that they are three minute horses. What they do insist on is a good horse built up for service and to endure."

The man who seeks to narrow the line of breeding, and measure the value of animals solely by the record, is not the one to hold public attention and confidence. Some horse papers will have to be built over a little broader gauge.

In the disposal of property left by D. M. Foster the following horses were late sold at auction:

Maggie Franklin 2.38%, by Dr. Franklin; Ralph Foster, Canton, \$210.

Bedova, by Redwood, in foal to Haley; O. S. Waite, Canton, \$135.

Jessica, 9 yrs., by Rydyke, in foal to Dictator Chief; Ralph Foster, \$70.

Gudging, 4 yrs., by Elasmere; E. L. Brown, Rumford, \$70.

Brown colt, 1 yr., by All So, dam by Messinger Wilkes; Oscar Childs, Canton, \$250.

Brown colt, 1 yr., by Arrival, dam by Dr. Franklin; Dr. Twaddle, Bethel, \$125.

Black filly, 2 yrs., by Marlowe; Ralph Foster, \$70.

One year old, by Abbot Wilkes, 2.12 1/4%; Dr. A. L. Stanwood, Canton, \$90.

Chestnut mare, 5 yrs., by The Seer, in foal to Tarratine, son of Wilkes; W. W. Greeley, Gorham, \$100.

Chestnut mare, 5 yrs., by Achilles, Ralph Foster, \$80.

Chestnut mare, 5 yrs., by Griffin, dam Evelyn; M. A. Waite, Canton, \$70.

The eleven head sold for \$1,090, lacking ten dollars of being an average of \$100 each.

With the sale of Alcantara and the wintering of the stock from that farm, Maine steps to the front with the three leading breeding establishments in New England—Sunnyside Farm, Waterville, Maple Grove Farm, Auburn and Elmwood Farm, South Poland. The ability

sizes suitable for the fowls is difficult, unless one has the appliance for so doing. The bone-cutter (not bone-mill) should be a regulation implement with all poultrymen. Its cost may be an item at first, but the great service it performs by enabling one to use a material that could not otherwise be made serviceable, makes it really cost less, as it soon repays for the outlay. A bone is too hard when dry, and too tough when green, to be pounded. Labor is too valuable to be wasted at such work. If hens are intended to lay, they are but themselves machines for converting raw materials into something more valuable, and the additional machine—the bone-cutter—will give them better opportunities for producing a profit.—*Poultry Herald*.

## Poetry.

For the Maine Farmer.

### RETROSPECTION.

By HELEN RAY.

I used to live upon a farm.

Away down east in Maine;

And as I sit and dream at night,

Those scenes come back again.

I see again the furrowed land,

The fields of growing grass;

The hills, that oft were waded o'er,

By me—a country lass.

I see the cows come slowly home,

Through lanes so long and wide,

I see the huge and gray old rocks,

That frowned on either side.

I see the men go trooping by,

An awkward, lumbering train;

And hear my father swear at

The plow in the lane.

Talk not to me of rural joys,

The farmer's peaceful life,

I'll take the city, every time,

With all its care and strife.

I did not exchange my attico room,

Within the city's glare,

For all the farms in Christendom,

Though free from toil and care.

## Our Story Teller.

### THREE BLACK BAGS.

The Part They Played in the Lives of Several People.

As I often say to my wife, when she blames me for forgetting her little commissions, it's a queer thing, is the mind, and great is the force of habit. I never forget to do anything I'm in the habit of doing, but as Tilly usually attends to the shopping herself I'm not in the habit of calling at the butcher's or the grocer's on my way home from business, and therefore—well, therefor, I don't call three times out of five that she tells me to.

Don't I catch it? No; not overmuch, only. For one thing, we haven't been married very long, and Tilly agrees that it's only reasonable should have time to learn to be more careful, and, for another, if it wasn't for the habit a has on me, I doubt whether we should be married yet, or at least we wouldn't be living in our own house, with the furniture all bought at a large discount for cash.

I am a clerk in the service of a firm of colliery and quarry owners at Lington, and every Saturday morning I go out to Westerby, a village some thirty miles off among the moors, to the ploughmen their wages.

It's an awkward sort of journey. I have to start by the first train in the morning, which leaves Lington at six, change at Drask, our junction with the main line, leave the main line again at Thurley, some ten miles farther south, and do the rest of the distance in the brake van of a mineral train.

The money (nearly one hundred pounds, mostly silver) I always carry in a little black leather bag, one of those bags you see by scores every day, which may contain anything from a packet of sandwiches and a collar to a dynamite bomb, and it's my habit when in the train to put my bag on the rack facing me. I rarely keep it on the seat by my side, and I don't like to put it over my head.

It happened in this way: On Friday night I went out with Tilly to a party, which broke up so late that I had only just time to change my clothes and get a sort of apology for a break-neck before catching my train. Consequently I slept all the way from Lington to Drask, and at Drask I stumbled, only half awake, into the first third-class compartment I came to.

Three of the corner seats were occupied and I took the fourth, though there was no room on the opposite rack for my bag. I couldn't put it on the seat by my side, either, because the man opposite in the other corner had his legs up and I didn't care to disturb him. I ought, of course, to have kept it on my knees, but it was rather heavy and I was very sleepy, so I just slung it over my head, settled myself down and dropped off again almost before the train was clear of the station.

Nothing," he replied, "just literally nothing. Go home. Keep a still tongue in your head and a sharp eye on the agony columns of the London papers, and wait till you hear from me. I'll take charge of these articles and give you a receipt for them, but don't be surprised if you see them still advertising."

"I think so," said I; "and I am willing to tell you all you can. What do you want me to do?"

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"Lucky for us, Mr. Corner," said he, when I took advantage of my next visit to the quarries to call upon him, "there's always a sort of warp or twist in the mind of the habitual criminal which prevents him from believing in the honesty of other folks. Now, not a soul but you and I and the chief constable knows those jewels are as good as back on Lady Yerbury's dressing-table, or wherever she's in the habit of leaving 'em lying about. Therefore the man who cuts them off is not likely to tie away yet awhile, and there'll be a genuine ring about it which should persuade our unknown friend that you've got 'em and mean to convert 'em to your own use, as we say in the profession, but, being an amateur, don't know how to go about turning 'em into more cash than the reward comes to, and that, consequently, you are anxious to come to terms with him. See?"

For a month Lady Yerbury's diamonds were sought in vain and for a month "G. C." continued to appeal to his late fellow traveler, also in vain, but at the end of that time his patience was rewarded by the appearance of an advertisement, telling him if he really meant business, to write to "B. H." at a given address.

The letter I wrote at the dictation of Inspector Bland was more cautious than incriminating, but as it produced a reply which the Inspector deemed satisfactory it was followed by others less carefully worded, until at last it was pledged to personally deliver, for the consideration of two thousand pounds, the stolen jewels to one Benjamin Hurst, whom I was to meet at a public house in Chillingham.

"Oh, he's all right," said his companion. "He's booked for London. I heard him say so when he got in."

I felt much refreshed when we arrived at the quarries. After I had had a wash and don full justice to a second breakfast at the "Miners' Arms" I felt ready to face my morning's work of making up the men's pay sheets. Then, as I felt in my pocket for my keys, my memory began to entertain a vague suspicion that that bag was somehow unfamiliar to me. However, my key fitted the lock and as I turned it my mind vanished, but only to be replaced a moment later by an astounding certainty.

"No larks, Bill," said the landlord, sternly. "Mary, show the gentleman to Mr. Hurst's room."

I found Mr. Hurst a decidedly surly rascal. He began by grumbling at the

little canvas bags of gold, my eyes were dazzled by many-colored iridescence, which shone forth from the inside of that bag as soon as I opened it.

"Diamonds, by jingo!" I cried as I started back in amazement.

I thought it best to keep my discovery to myself.

The bag, I guessed, was probably the property of a jeweler's traveler—a traveler in a large way of business, too, thought I, as I peered into it in the least exposed corner of the office and found it almost full of what, little as I knew about precious stones, I felt certain were valuable jewels.

Hardness of the bargain I was driving with him, and swearing at his luck generally. Then, being perhaps emboldened by the conciliatory manner I thought it prudent to adopt, he tried to make better terms, offering me first five hundred pounds less, and finally insisting that he ought at least to be allowed to deduct from my two thousand pounds the sum I had used to pay the men.

Mr. Bland had allowed me a quarter of an hour for negotiations. At the end of that time he proposed to make a raid upon the house.

"And mind," he had said in his jocular way, "we don't find the property still in your hands, Mr. Corner. It would be a pretty kettle of fish if we had to prosecute you for unlawful possession, wouldn't it?"

In accordance with these instructions I haggled with Mr. Hurst a little while and then allowed him to have his way, wherein he had satisfied himself that the bag which I restored to him still contained his spoils, handed me nineteen hundred pounds sterling in what afterwards turned out to be very creditable imitations of Bank of England notes.

"I suppose you don't want no receipt?" he growled.

"No, thank you," said I, "I think we may mutually dispense with that formality. Good morning."

Hurriedly summoning the foreman, and telling him that a mistake had been made in supplying me with money, I went down into the village, and, after some trouble, succeeded in collecting enough silver and copper to serve my purpose. Then with that precious bag out of sight between my feet, I paid the men.

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"Stand clear, Bill," he cried, and his friend obeyed him. I scrambled to my feet, but immediately dropped again with a bullet from Mr. Hurst's revolver in my shoulder.

"I am not at all sorry that Mr. Hurst fired at me, as Inspector Bland says it was much easier to convict him of attempted murder than to prove he actually stole those jewels, and the inspector doubts, too, whether he would have got fifteen years if merely charged with receiving them. But I do wish he hadn't hit me."

However, even the pain my wound still gives me is not without its compensation. It prevents me from sleeping, but I am still able to do my work.

"I am very glad you came straight to me," said he, turning the contents of the bag out on his desk. "If you can hold your tongue for a week or two it's just possible we may catch the gentleman who put this nice little lot together."

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"Think!" he repeated, smiling at my simplicity. "I know, my boy. And when and where, too; though, unfortunately, not by whom. Run your eyes over this."

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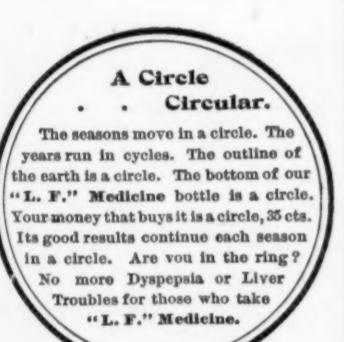
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**Messenger's Notice.**

Office of A. D. 1895.  
STATE OF MAINE—KENNEBEC ss. This is to give notice that on the eleventh day of February, A. D. 1895, a Warrant of Insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency, to the Sheriff of Kennebunk, to the estate of F. W. MATHERS, adjudged to be an insolvent debtor, on petition of said debtor's creditors, to the sum of \$10,000, on the eleventh day of January, A. D. 1895, to which date in terest on claims is to be computed, that the payment of any debt to or for said debtor, and the discharge of any debt or claim by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said debtor, to prove their debts and to determine the value of his estate, will be held at a Court of Insolvency to be held at Probate Court Room in Augusta, on the eleventh day of February, A. D. 1895, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Given under my hand the date first above written.

EDWARD OWEN,  
Attala, as Messenger to the Court of Insolvency for said Sheriff of Kennebunk.

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**Discharge of Insolvents.**

A hearing will be had on the petitions of Edgar L. Dow of Augusta and Eliza Springer of Sidney, insolvent debtors, for a full discharge of their debts under the state insolvency laws of Maine, at the Probate Court Room in Augusta, on Monday, the twenty-third day of February, A. D. 1895, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Attest: HOWARD OWEN,  
Registrar of the Court of Insolvency.

Augusta, Feb. 11, 1895. 216.

**In Insolvency—Notice of Second Meeting.**

STATE OF MAINE—KENNEBEC ss. Court of Insolvency. In the case of James H. Hall, widow of John H. Hall, and Henry Wm. Clinton, Insolvent Debtors.

It is to give notice that pursuant to an order of Court, a second meeting of the creditors of said insolvent debtors will be held at Probate Court Room in Augusta, on the eleventh day of February, 1895, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

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**The Markets.**

**REPORT OF WATERTOWN AND BRIGHTON LIVESTOCK MARKET.**

Specialized for the Maine Farmer.]

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H. W. Lowe. 18 10 5 6

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S. H. Wardwell. 15 28 5 6

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**Items of General News.**

Large gangs of men have been digging out the railroad trains at the West.

The House has voted down the Administration gold bond bill.

The late Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes left an estate appraised at \$72,117.

Gold is flowing into the U. S. treasury as the result of the sale of the new bonds.

Tuesday, the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, was celebrated in the large cities of the country.

A large and excellent crop of ice has been gathered on the Hudson. This is not particularly cheerful news for our Maine icemen.

The Drexel, N. H., National Bank, whose cashier recently defaulted and committed suicide, has given up his ghost, and will wind up its affairs.

The court martial which is trying the insurrectionists at Honolulu has rendered its decision and sentenced six of the revolutionists to die, and sixteen given from five years to life imprisonment.

At Hartford, Conn., a bill was presented in the House, Thursday, prohibiting obstructions and noise in theatres. It is the same as the New York bill, which is aimed at large hats.

The annual report of the Boston Fire and Police Notification Company for 1894 shows that 1,774 alarms were rung in for fires, with a gross loss of \$1,377,000. During the year 20 lives were lost and 150 persons injured.

The President has signed the bill reviving the rank of Lieutenant-General of the army, and afterwards sent to the Senate the nomination of Gen. John McAllister Schofield to be Lieutenant-General.

Rev. Timothy Dwight Hunt, a retired Presbyterian minister, died suddenly at Whiteboro, N. Y., Thursday, aged 75. He was one of the pioneer missionaries to the Sandwich Islands, and organized the first church in California in 1849.

Mrs. Margaret Stanley, of St. Louis, Mo., attempted Sunday evening to thaw a frozen water pipe with a gasoline lamp. The lamp exploded and Mrs. Stanley was so badly burned that she died within an hour. Mrs. Henry Hickman, a neighbor, attempted to put out the flames and was seriously burned.

The jury in the case of Bill Cook and Cherokee Bill, at Fort Smith, Ark., returned a verdict of guilty. These convictions are for robbing the Wells-Fargo Express Company and St. Louis and San Francisco road at Redforks, I. T., on the 8th of last July. There are several other cases against them.

Memorial services for fishermen lost from the port of Gloucester, Mass., during the past year, were held Sunday afternoon at Gloucester. The memorial services and most of the local clergymen assisted in the exercises. The names of 123 men drowned from there the past year were read, out of which number only 23 bodies have been recovered and buried on the shore.

Following the announcement that the heirs of James G. Fair of San Francisco had decided to contest his will, the original of which was stolen from the County Clerk's office a few days ago, comes news that Mrs. Hermann Oelrich and her sister, Virginia Fair, have so far patched up matters with their brother, Charles L. Fair, that the contest of their mother's will has been dropped.

The U. S. Senate ways and means committee reported a substitute, Wednesday, for the House bill, which appropriated \$100,000 for the purchase of seed for Western Kansas sufferers. The substitute carries the same appropriation, but \$50,000 is to be expended at once for food, and the remaining \$50,000 for seed grain. The bill was put on its third reading and passed.

The 14th annual reunion and banquet of the Worcester Sons and Daughters of Maine was held in Horticultural Hall, Worcester, Mass., Thursday evening.

Rev. Almon Garrison, D. D., president of the association, presided and about 200 were present. The principal after dinner speaker was Rev. Geo. W. Bicknell of Cambridge, Atty.-Gen. H. M. Knowlton, who was expected, sent a letter of regret.

Wild beasts are making existence miserable for inhabitants along the Saline and Canadian bottoms of Arkansas. The continued snow has driven the bears and panthers from their hiding places.

A bear ran off with the four-year-old child of David Baker, a farmer living near Danville, Thursday. Reports from Hot Springs say that the farmers residing along the Saline river bottoms are losing hundreds of cattle and hogs, while several people have narrowly escaped being killed by wild beasts in the same neighborhood.

The French line steamer La Gasconne, which was overdue eight days, dropped anchor at the bar in quarantine, Long Island, just before midnight, Monday.

The utmost anxiety had been entertained concerning her safety, and many had given her up as lost. The cause of her delay was a broken piston rod and the terrific gales. The machinery broke down three times. For 41 hours at one time the ship was to while the repairs were being made. There was great joy on her arrival, especially among those who had given up as lost, and it seemed like having them come back to life again. Even strong men wept. The strain of days of worry had been too much for them. One man, Mr. Rich, had broken down completely and sobbed as if he would break. Mr. Rich had three daughters on board the La Gasconne, two of them of very tender years. He had abandoned all hope when the joyful tidings came. Agent Forget for a moment was rendered speechless which even the how anxious he had been for the safety of the La Gasconne. Then he regained himself and became wildly excited. 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